Ponderosa High School
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“Proud, Productive, Proven”

OUR SCHOOL

Accredited: 1984
Founded: 1983
School Type: A four-year comprehensive public high school
Location: Parker, southern suburb of Denver
Schedule: Two semester calendar
Accreditation: Colorado Department of Education
Enrollment: 1,447

PONDEROSA ADMINISTRATION

Principal, Ryan Hollingshead
Asst. Principal, Natalie Munoz-Garcia
Asst. Principal, Kirsten Hogan
Asst. Principal, Julie Machakos
Athletic Director, Nate Hill
Dean, Sean-Michael Pfeiffer

Principals:
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PONDEROSA COUNSELORS

Laurie Portman (10th/12th) A-Cl
Natalie Springer (9th/11th) A-Cl
Julie Wright
Diane Guidroz-Fredericks
Pamela Cheeseeman
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Christy Kidd

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107 state certified counselors, professional staff and administrators. The majority hold Masters Degrees. There are 42 support staff members.

FACULTY AND STAFF

ADVANCED PLACEMENT/COLLEGE COURSES

AP 2-D Art and Design
AP 3-D Art and Design
AP Biology
AP Calculus AB
AP Calculus BC
AP Chemistry
AP Physics C: Mech
AP Pre-Calculus
AP Psychology
AP Statistics
AP US Government
AP Environ. Science
AP Human Geography
AP Language & Comp
AP Literature & Comp

Macroeconomics
Microeconomics
Human Relation
Infant/Toddler
Intro to Business
Intro to PC Apps
Intro to Business
Intro to PC Apps
Spanish 1 & 2
Statistics
Auto
College Algebra
Early Child Ed

ACC English Comp
ACC English Literature
ACC Human Relation
ACC Infant/Toddler
ACC Intro to Business
ACC Into to PC Apps
ACC Prin of Marketing
ACC Spanish 1 & 2
ACC Statistics
ACC Trigonometry
CTE Personal Finance
CTE Intro to PC Apps

EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES & ATHLETICS

Ponderosa offers 25 varsity sports and is a member of the Continental League. Ponderosa has over 48 extracurricular activities ranging from service organizations to student-interest clubs. Students can earn an athletic letter, an activities letter, and an academic letter. For a complete list of clubs and activities, please see our website at: www.phsmustangs.com

GRADING SYSTEM

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Weighted grade points are awarded for Advanced Placement classes. Honors classes are not weighted.

Class of 2023

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Grades:

Top 10%: 4.38
Top 25%: 4.1
Median GPA: 3.38

GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

A student must successfully complete a minimum of 24 credits in order to graduate from all Douglas County high schools. One-half credit is equal to one semester.

COLLEGEBOARD AP TESTING

Year | 2023 | 2022 | 2021 | 2020
---|------|------|------|------
Students Tested | 292 | 293 | 267 | 316
AP Tests | 475 | 489 | 408 | 531
Students with Scores 3+ | 214 | 223 | 186 | 225
AP Scholars | 34 | 32 | 42 | 34
AP Scholars with Honors | 17 | 21 | 15 | 16
AP Scholars with Distinction | 20 | 27 | 23 | 23
AP National Scholars | N/A | N/A | N/A | 4
AP International Scholars | 1 | N/A | N/A | N/A

NATIONAL MERIT SCHOLARS

# Scholars: 6
# Finalists: 0
# Semi-Finalists: 2
# Commended: 0

POST SECONDARY PLANS

Class of 2023

Graduation Rate: 99%
Four-year college/university: 63%
Two-year college: 8%
Military: 2%
Undecided/Unknown: 7%

Mission

The purpose of Ponderosa High School is to empower all students to become caring, contributing citizens who can succeed in an ever-changing world.

Vision

Ponderosa High School is dedicated to providing a positive educational experience for every student, every family, every day.

Core Values